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Dear Charles,

NORWEGIAN PATENT APPLICATION NO: 905151
OUR FILE: 31787

I attach a copy of a further official letter received from the Norwegian Patent Office together with a copy of our associates explanatory comments.

The examiner proposes to delete claims 8, 11, 15, 17 and 20 as reciting features which are claimed in other claims. Claims 22-26 are regarded as obvious and also should be deleted. Under Norwegian practice dependent claims must be inventive in their own right to be allowed.

In claim 1, we are asked to delete the phrase 'selectively applying the electrical energy to the electrical heating means' so that the claim would recite 'control means to heat selectively the plurality of charges in a predetermined sequence...'.

I suggest that we accept these suggestions. However, if you have any objections to deleting any of the subject matter please let me know.

In the first instance a reply to the official letter is due by 8 September 1993. If we do not meet that deadline the application will be shelved and may be reinstated within 4 months by filing a response and paying a reinstatement fee.

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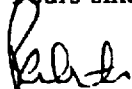
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